

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 996 - SB 1105

March 24, 2021

**SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL:** Requires the Department of Human Services (DHS) to develop, in Davidson County, an enrollment-based alternative payments pilot program (Pilot) to provide adequate, stable payments to child care providers. Requires DHS to publish on its website, no later than February 1 following the conclusion of each calendar year of the Pilot, a report detailing its status and findings. The Pilot begins January 1, 2022 and is terminated December 31, 2023.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (005799):** Deletes all language after the enacting clause. Authorizes the DHS to utilize an enrollment-based alternative payments program to provide adequate, stable payments to child care providers. Requires the DHS to publish on its website an overview of child care services and the methodology used to issue payments to providers of child care services, including any changes to the methodology during the previous year, if applicable.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Based on information provided by DHS, the criteria and objectives of the proposed legislation closely align with policies and practices currently in place under the Child Care Certificate Program. As a result, DHS can utilize and administer the program and publish the required reports utilizing existing resources.
- Any increase in state expenditures for DHS is estimated to be not significant.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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